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SECOND STATUS INQUIRY

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Sir:

On September 8, 2004, Applicant filed a Status Inquiry requesting to be notified of when Applicant might receive an Office Action for the above-identified matter. However, as of the date of this "Second Status Inquiry", no response has been received. Applicant, by and through its attorneys of record, again respectfully requests a report as to the status of the above-noted application. This application was filed on August 27, 2003, and as of the date of this letter no Office Action has been received in this matter. The purpose of this letter is to insure that an Office Action has not been misdirected in the mail and, if no Office Action has been forwarded, Applicant requests an estimate as to when it might expect an Office Action in this matter.

Respectfully submitted,

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Dated: December 7, 2004

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